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Reply To: HPR-ID

Ms. Pamela K. Lowe, Director Idaho Transportation Department P.O. Box 7129 Boise, ID 83707

Attention: Matthew Moore

RE: 2008 STIP Amendment #3

Dear Ms. Lowe:

Your March 27, 2008 letter requested FHWA approval of STIP Amendment #3 providing for the removal of 4 projects from the FY 2008-2011 program.

Because the affected projects are not intermodal in nature and do not affect the State's conformity process, FHWA has sole approval authority for these requested changes.

With regard to ITD's request, I find that:

- 1. All four projects qualify for grouped listing per 23 CFR 450.216(j) and, on this basis, will not require additional public involvement.
- 2. All of the proposed changes are outside of the State's air quality nonattainment and maintenance areas and therefore Federal quality conformity regulations will not apply (ref. 40 CFR Section 93.126).
- 3. The proposed amendment is based on a planning process that substantially meets the requirements of Title 23, U.S.C., the Federal Transit Act and 23 CFR 450.

In consideration of ITD's request and the above findings, Amendment #3 is approved as submitted.

Sincerely,

(original signed by)

R. Scott Frey Transportation Engineer

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